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"Nothing makes a person more productive than the last moment."

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KSC & 45th SPACE WING SUPER SAFETY DAY JUNE 17, 1999

Mark your calendars! This year's Super Safety & Health Day, scheduled for June 17, will be arriving soon! The program is designed to promote a complete wellness program incorporating both safety and health activities and will be dedicated to the



entire day. In addition to KSC, the USAF 45th Space Wing, both the JSC and MSFC resident offices, GSA, SSC, and others will be taking part. The theme "Safety & Health... Go Hand in Hand" is captured in the logo - a pair of hands holding the earth.

Similar to last year's Super Safety Day, employees will meet with their respective supervisors to review the status of new safety activities accomplished during the past year, and look at safety activities planned for their organization for the upcoming year. At 8:00 a.m. via the KSC and 45Th SW television systems, Roy Bridges/KSC Center Director, and Brigadier General Randall Starbuck, Commander, 45th Space Wing, will provide opening remarks followed by a special motivation speaker. A panel of management members will then respond to safety questions/issues which employees can either phone, fax, email, or ask in person. The remainder of the day will be spent in safety & health meetings within their respective organizations and also offer opportunities to visit numerous outside venders with safety & health related products and programs. Astronauts and senior managers will be visiting around KSC & the 45th Space Wing areas promoting safety & health. If you have questions about Super Safety Day, call Don Vycital at 867-6553 for more information.

Super Safety Day Question & Answer



This Super Safety Day question answered by Dave Facemire, NASA Safety.
Call him at 867-6569 for more information.

QUESTION:

Why are hard hats mandatory at the launch pads while on the structure but are never to be worn when a orbiter is present, other than the obvious fact that a loose and falling hard hat would damage tiles.

ANSWER:

OSHA requires head protection whenever there is an overhead hazard, i.e., if something can fall and strike an individual. Most overhead hazards, e.g., construction or processing activities that could produce falling material has been completed by the time the orbiter is at the pad. Therefore, head protection would not be required.



Do you have questions, comment, or an article you would like to submit? Contact Marguerite or Alan at 867-3311, fax number 867-3583, mail code EI-HF or e-mail them at "Safety on the Line" found in your global address list. Safety on the Line is also on the Web. Go to the KSC home page, then click on KSC internal page, then find us under NASA/KSC news.